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In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97-§1.99, Applicant wishes to make of record:

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